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No. 06-5754
Title: Victor A. Rita, Petitioner
v.
United States
Docketed: August 9, 2006
Lower Ct: United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
Case Nos.: (05-4674)
Decision Date: May 1, 2006
Questions Presented

~~Date~~	~~~~~~~~Proceedings and Orders~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
Jul 28 2006	Petition for a writ of certiorari and motion for leave to proceed in forma pauperis filed. (Response due September 8, 2006)
Aug 17 2006	Memorandum of respondent United States filed.
Aug 31 2006	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of September 25, 2006.
Sep 1 2006	Reply of petitioner Victor A. Rita filed. (Distributed)
Sep 18 2006	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of September 25, 2006.
Oct 11 2006	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of October 27, 2006.
Oct 30 2006	DISTRIBUTED for Conference of November 3, 2006.
Nov 3 2006	Motion to proceed in forma pauperis and petition for a writ of certiorari GRANTED limited to the following Questions: 1) Was the district court's choice of within-Guidelines sentence reasonable? 2) In making that determination, is it consistent with United States v. Booker, 543 U. S. 220 (2005), to accord a presumption of reasonableness to within-Guidelines sentences? 3) If so, can that presumption justify a sentence imposed without an explicit analysis by the district court of the 18 U.S.C. Sec. 3553(a) factors and any other factors that might justify a lesser sentence?.
Dec 6 2006	Consent to the filing of amicus briefs in support of either party received from counsel for the petitioner.
Dec 18 2006	SET FOR ARGUMENT ON Tuesday, February 20, 2007.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amicus curiae of National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers filed. VIDED.
Dec 18 2006	Motion to file Volume II of the joint appendix under seal. filed by petitioner Victor A. Rita.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amicus curiae of Families Against Mandatory Minimums filed. VIDED.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amicus curiae of New York Council of Defense Lawyers filed.
Dec 18 2006	Brief of petitioner Victor A. Rita filed.
Dec 18 2006	Joint appendix Volume I filed.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amici curiae of National Veterans Legal Services Program, et al. filed.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amici curiae of Law Professors Who Study Sentencing Reform filed. VIDED.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amici curiae of Washington Legal Foundation, et al. filed. VIDED.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amici curiae of Federal Public and Community Defenders, et al. filed. VIDED.
Dec 18 2006	Brief amici curiae of Marc Miller, et al. filed.
Dec 20 2006	Motion DISTRIBUTED for Conference of January 5, 2007.
Jan 5 2007	Supplemental Volume to the joint appendix filed.
Jan 8 2007	Motion to file Volume II of the joint appendix under seal. GRANTED.

Jan 8 2007	Record received from U.S.C.A. for 4th Circuit. (1 envelope).
Jan 10 2007	CIRCULATED.
Jan 10 2007	Record received from U.S.D.C. for Western District of North Carolina. (1 envelope) A portion of this record is sealed.
Jan 22 2007	Brief amicus curiae of United States Sentencing Commission filed. VIDED. (Distributed)
Jan 22 2007	Brief of respondent United States filed. (Distributed)
Feb 9 2007	Reply of petitioner Victor A. Rita filed. (Distributed)
Feb 20 2007	Argued. For petitioner: Thomas N. Cochran, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Greensboro, N.C. For respondent: Michael R. Dreeben, Deputy Solicitor General, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.